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application of:

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Examiner: R. Lewis

Title: METHOD, ARRANGEMENT AND USE FOR APPLYING A SPACER TO AN

IMPLANT BY MEANS OF A SCREW

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office action issued June 19, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: